

WHAT'S AHEAD IN 1950 FOR RURAL HOUSING ?

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RURAL HOUSING SITUATION

Continued trend of spending by rural families for housing and improvements.

Cost of acceptable housing continues to be too high for many families.

Materials dealers on national scale giving more attention to farm market.

Housing Act of 1949 makes aid available to farm people for building.

Amount of aid depends on group and kind of aid required.

PRICES AND SUPPLIES

Prices of construction materials have leveled and in some cases declined.

Some items are likely to continue slow decline. Spot items may increase, depending on steel, labor, and transportation situations.

Production of building materials has increased.

Record production has gradually caught up with increased construction volume.

Almost all materials can be obtained in desired quantities during 1950.

WHAT CAN BE DONE

Greater standardization in dimensions of the house, materials, and equipment.

Work toward more efficient construction methods. Use power tools and labor saving equipment when possible.

Investigate the use of new materials and new uses for old materials.

Inquire about provisions of Housing Act of 1949 and see how it may help your proposed housing construction program.

Study your requirements and plan carefully before starting to build.

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